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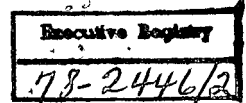
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Admiral Stansfield Turner  
 Central Intelligence Agency  
 Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Admiral Turner:

Reference is made to my letter of August 24, 1978, advising that this Staff had been requested by the Committee on Appropriations to conduct a study into the organizational structure and procedures used to produce National and Defense Intelligence estimates of military forces which constitute a threat to the security of this country.

To assist in this study it would be appreciated if you could make arrangements for Staff Members Charles Bolz and James Leroy Butts to review at CIA Headquarters National Intelligence Estimates and related material dealing with the military forces of the U.S.S.R. and Warsaw Pact nations.

Your cooperation in assisting the Investigative Staff to obtain necessary information pertinent to this study is appreciated. If there are any questions regarding this matter, I can be contacted on 225-3881.

Sincerely yours,

*C. R. Anderson*  
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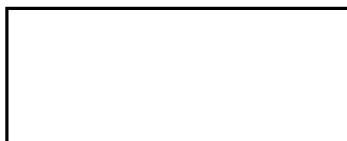
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Lyle,

At our meeting with the S&I Team this morning, Dick Lehman went over in some detail the evolution of the DCI's responsibility to correlate and evaluate intelligence information. He described the role and membership of the PRC(I), the NFIB, and the six deputy directorates under the DCI. He then dwelled on NFAC, outlining the functions of the NIOs and the production offices shown in the attached chart. Finally, he talked about--and displayed some examples of--NFAC and community intelligence issuances. The follow-up session scheduled for 10:00 on 11 October will treat the NIE production process directly.

The S&I Team members would like access to the NIEs relevant to their study. I told them that a letter from the staff director to the DCI would be appropriate and that a request for permission to read at CIA Headquarters NIEs on Soviet and Warsaw Pact military capabilities would do the job. I told them I would be happy to make available space in my office where they could read and hold temporarily the Estimates. At some point, the S&I Team members will also want to talk about the NIE production process with a few NIOs and probably with some people from the NFAC production offices.

At this stage, it is hard to tell how it will all turn out. The educational process will be extensive and time-consuming. The Team's dependence on us to avoid a naive or inaccurate report is great, however, and we ought to have a considerable influence on at least the intelligence production portion of its findings.



Chief, Congressional Support Staff